Rejection of Pension scheme for organised sector employees

*100. SHRI GURUDAS GUPTA :
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposed pension scheme for employees in the Organised Sector has been rejected by the Ministry of Finance; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and also the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA) : (a) The Ministry of Finance is yet to furnish its final comments on the proposed Pension Scheme.

(b) Does not arise.

Over-reporting pithead stocks of Coal India Limited

973. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI :

SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY :

SHRI SUKOMAL SEN :

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government attention has been drawn to the over-reporting of pithead stocks of Coal India Limited;

(b) whether Government have ordered a probe into the claims of Coal India Limited about its stock position;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by Government in this regard ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) Some reports about discrepancies between reported and actual pithead stocks in subsidiaries of Coal India Limited have been received.

(b) to (d) Whenever such reports are received, each case is looked into and appropriate action is taken. Recently a Committee has been set up to look into the reported coal stock shortages in Bharat Coking Coal Limited.

Integrated Development of coal mines in Birbhum (West Bengal)

974. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any plan under Government consideration for integrated development of new coalfields in Birbhum (West Bengal) and simultaneous development of and setting up coal based industries in the area; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) and (b) Regional exploration by the Geological Survey of India (GSI) is in progress in the Coalfield of Birbhum district situated in the State of West Bengal. Detailed exploration for proving the coal resources can only be taken up after the regional exploration is completed. Any view on the feasibility of development of the Coalfield and setting up of coal based industries may only be taken after detailed exploration is carried out.

Representation from Coal Mines Officers Association

975. SHRI S. MADHAVAN : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Coal Mines Officers Association has represented to Government about large scale corruption prevailing in Coal India Limited; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) and (b) A complaint purported to have been sent by Coal Mines Officers' Association of India, NCL Branch was received in the Ministry of Coal which was later on found to be pseudonymous.

New Deposits of Lignite in Tamil Nadu

976. SHRI S. MADHAVAN : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Geological Survey of India has conducted any survey in Tamil Nadu to locate the deposits of lignite;

(b) if so, what are the possible locations for lignite deposits and what is the potential yield expected in those areas; and

(c) what are the steps contemplated to mine these lignite deposits ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) Yes, Sir. The Geological Survey of India (GSI) has surveyed some areas in Tamil Nadu to locate the deposits of lignite and the exploration is still continuing.

(b) As per the reports prepared by GSI the possible locations for lignite deposits and the reserves of lignite in these areas are as follows :

Lignite field	Location	Area in Sq. Km.	Reserves (in million tonnes)
Bahur	Mostly in Pondicherry and partly in Tamil Nadu (South Arcot Distt.)	57	535
South of Vellar . .	Situated south of Vellar river in South Arcot Distt.	49	453
Jayamkondacholapuram .	Trichy Distt.	92	925

(c) Owing to constraint of resources with Neyveli Lignite Corporation, Govt. intends to develop these lignite deposits involving others interested.

देश में कोयले के भंडार

977. **श्री शिवचरण सिंह :**
श्री सुनील बसुराय :

क्या **कोयला** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में राज्य-वार कोयले के कितने-कितने भण्डार हैं ;

(ख) देश में कोयले की प्रति वर्ष कितनी आवश्यकता है, और विदेशों से इसकी कितनी मात्रा का आयात किया जा रहा है ;

(ग) कोयले के आयात पर कितनी धन-राशि व्यय की जाती है; और

(घ) राजस्थान में कोयले के कितने भण्डार होने का अनुमान है, और उनका कब तक और कैसे दोहन किया जाएगा ?

कोयला मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री एस० बी० नयमेगौड़ा) : (क) भारतीय भू-सर्वेक्षण द्वारा दिनांक 1-1-92 की स्थिति के अनुसार भारत में कोयला भण्डार (1200 मीटर की गहराई तक) 1,96,022.90 मिलियन टन अनुमानित किया है । इस सम्बन्ध में राज्यवार वितरण नीचे दर्शाया गया है :—

राज्य	मिलियन टन में भण्डार
आंध्र प्रदेश	10810.75
अरूणाचल प्रदेश	90.23
असम	295.18
बिहार	63398.31
मध्य प्रदेश	38451.85
महाराष्ट्र	6099.51
मेघालय	459.43
नागालैण्ड	19.94
उड़ीसा	45188.32
उत्तर प्रदेश	1062.21
पश्चिम बंगाल	30147.17
जोड़	196022.90